

buyers. Receipts of eggs are diminishing, and values are a little firmer at 9½ to 9¾c. per doz.

DRY GOODS.—Considering that it is between seasons, there is a fair amount of business doing in this line this week. The more settled weather has proved beneficial, and shopping in the city has been much brisker, on account of the "Fete Dieu" procession to take place next Sunday, and the approaching jubilee festivities. Quite a few country dealers, from near-at-hand districts, have been seen among the warehouses the last few days, and a fair amount of sorting business is still being done; but no quantity of fall orders have yet been booked, though a good many travellers are out with full lines of fall samples. There is nothing new in the way of altered prices.

GROCERIES.—June is generally a fairly active month in this line, but this year the movement is not up to the average. With city retailers there is a fair trade doing, and the country demand is a little better than it was, but orders are still reported small. The enquiry for sugars improves but slowly, still there are indications that the speculative lots are about exhausted, and with the approach of the preserving season refiners naturally look for a freer demand. The St. Lawrence refinery, now shut down for some weeks, is being prepared for re-opening. Prices remain exactly on the same level as for the past several months. The outside markets for raws are described as again rather weak. Molasses continues very low in Barbadoes, the market there being reported down to 5c. The present local demand is light, most dealers being now stocked up. Barbadoes is quoted at 24c. per gal.; in single puncheons, 23c. in car lots; barrels, 26½c.; half barrels, 27½c.; Porto Ricos are a cent higher, reversing the usual order of things, but of recent years these goods are showing better quality than Barbadoes. Teas are momentarily quiet. So far the arrivals of new Japans will hardly exceed a few hundred packages, and there will be no very material receipts for some weeks yet. Dried fruits are of course dull, but for the demand, limited as it is, there is a difficulty in filling orders for currants and sultanas, for which high prices are being asked. For canned vegetables there is a good demand, tomatoes of desirable brand being quoted strong at 80c.; corn, 60c., and peas from 70c. up to 90c. for fancy brands. Canned fruits are quiet, except peaches, which sell at \$2.75 to 3.00 for 3 lb. tins, and \$1.75 to 2.00 for twos.

HIDES.—The situation is just about as reported last week. The demand for beef hides and calfskins is slack, but dealers continue to buy the former at 8c. per lb. for No. 1, and calfskins at 8 and 6c. for Nos. 1 and 2 respectively. Very few sheepskins are now coming in; the quotation remains at 90c. to \$1 each. The supply of lambskins is readily absorbed, and 20c. is paid by dealers; clips, 15c. each.

LEATHER.—Boot and shoe manufacturers, as a rule, do not seem satisfied with the volume of fall orders so far, and are still limited buyers of leather. A couple of English leather men were in the city a few days ago; they made no purchases locally, and solicited consignments principally. The market continues steady. In the United States some improvement is reported in sole. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 22 to 23c.; do. No. 2, 21c. to 22c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 21c.; No. 2, 19 to 20c.; No. 1 slaughter, 23 to 25c.; No. 2 do., 19 to 22c.; common, 19 to 20c.; waxed upper light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do. heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 30 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; western splits, 20 to 22c.; Quebec do., 16 to 17c.; juniors, 16 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calf skins (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calf skins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 12 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebbled cow, 12 to 13c.; polished buff, 11 to 13c.; glove grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The week has developed nothing very interesting in these lines, and no very important business is reported. Scotch warrants, which have been inclined to weakness, have shown a steady gain the last two or three weeks of over a shilling, being now cabled at 45s. 8d., and all makers' prices were quoted sixpence higher last week. Domestic bars are very easy, and probably \$1.80 to 1.35 would now be a sufficient quotation. There have been some fair arrivals of

Canada plates, and prices are easier. Some moderate lots of Terne plates are also to hand. There is still a scarcity of black sheets. We quote:—Summerlee pig iron, \$17 ex-ship; Carron, No. 1, \$17; No. 3, \$16.25; Ayrshire, No. 1, \$16.50; No. 3, \$16; Shotts, \$17.25 to 17.50; Carnbroe, \$17.00, ex-store; Siemens pig No. 1, \$20.00; Ferrona, No. 1, \$20.00; Hamilton No. 1, \$16.00; No. 2, ditto, \$15.25; machinery scrap, \$15.00; common do., \$12.00 to 13.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.30 to 1.35; British, \$2.00 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, \$2.15 to 2.20; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.25; 75 sheets, \$2.35; all polished Canadas \$2.40; Terne roofing plate, 20x28, \$6.00; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; Nos. 17, \$2; No. 16 and heavier, \$2.15; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.60 to 5.70; charcoal, I. C., Alloway, \$3.15 to 3.25; do. I. X., \$3.90 to 4.00; P. D. Crown, I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75; do. I. X., \$4.50; Coke I. C., \$2.90 to 3.00; coke, wasters, \$2.70; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4; No. 26, \$3.75; No. 24, \$3.50 in case lots; Morewood, \$5.00 to 5.10; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 5½c.; No. 26, 6c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.75; English ditto, \$2; hoops and bands, \$1.80 to 2.00. Steel boiler plate, ½-inch and upwards, \$1.85 to 1.90 for Daltell, and equal; ditto three-sixteenths inch, \$2.50; tank iron, ½ inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do., \$2.00; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.45 to 2.50; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., pig, \$3.30 to 3.40; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best

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Wheat, Spring	5	10½
Red Winter	0	0
No. 1 Cal	6	5
Corn	2	9½
Peas	4	2
Lard	19	0
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OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Business in these lines is assuming rather a quiet character, and little is to be noted in the way of change. Paris green, which generally moves pretty, freely at this time, is not in demand, as owing to the backward cool season so far, the bugs have not put in an appearance yet. Quotations run at about 13½c. in bulk, and 14½c. in small packages. Linseed oil is reported higher in Britain, by sixpence a cwt., but the local price remains as lately revised. We quote:—Turpentine, one to four brls., 42c.; five to nine brls., 41c., net 30 days. Linseed oil, raw, one to four brls., 42c.; five to nine brls., 41c.; boiled, one to four barrels, 45c.; five to nine brls., 44c., net 30 days; olive oil, machinery, 190c.; Nfld. cod, 38 to 40c. per gal.; Caspe oil, 36 to 38c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 50c. per gallon in small lots. Castor oil, 9 to 9½c. as to quantity. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.00, No. 1, \$4.62½; No. 2, \$4.25; No. 3, \$3.87½; No. 4, \$3.50; dry white lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; genuine red do., 4 to 4¾c.; No. 1 red lead, 3½ to 4c.; putty, 1.65 to \$1.70 in bulk, \$1.75 to 1.80 in bladders, \$2 to 2.10 in tins; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 85 to 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to 1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to 2.00; window glass, \$1.25 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.35 for second break; third break, \$2.80.

WOOL.—A good many woolen manufacturers have been in town the last week or so, but they seem uncertain as to their future operations, and quite a few of the large mills are only working about three-quarter time, and say orders are coming in but slowly. None of them were inclined to buy any large parcels, and the trading being done is confined to small hand-to-mouth orders. An American firm made an offer a few days ago for the two cargoes of Cape still stored in New York on Montreal account, but the figure was deemed too low. The loss of a cargo of four million lbs. of South American wool for the New York market, has had quite a stiffening effect there on wool of that kind. Local quotations are:—Cape, 14 to 16½c.; B.A. scoured, 28 to 34c.; domestic fleece, 21 to 23c.; ditto, pulled, 20 to 22. No Australian here.

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